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TAGS: PFOR ASEC CZ

SUBJECT: EXPLOSION AT CZECH AIRLINE OFFICE

REF: A) PRAGUE 606, B) USUN 912, C) USUN 914, D) STATE 56229,
E) USUN 918

1. IN MARCH 10 MORNING MEETING WITH KAMIS OF MFA SIXTH DEPARTMENT, EMBOFF EXPRESSED AGAIN THE EMBASSY'S REGRET FOR EXPLOSION AND REVIEWED FOR HIM CONTENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT AND USUN TELEGRAMS ON THE INCIDENT (SEE REFTELS). KAMIS SAID THAT MFA HAD RECEIVED ONLY ONE TELEGRAM FROM WASHINGTON, WHICH OUTLINED THE DAMAGE, AND THAT THE MINISTRY WAS VERY GRATEFUL FOR THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. CERTAINLY THE MFA WOULD DO ITS LEVEL BEST TO PREVENT THE INCIDENT FROM BECOMING LARGER THAN IT REALLY WAS. HE HOPED THAT PRESS USE COULD BE MADE OF POSITIVE POINTS WHICH EMBOFF INCLUDED IN HIS PRESENTATION, I.E., THAT BOTH DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ARMITAGE AND AMBASSADOR SHERER HAD EXPRESSED REGRETS TO CZECH AUTHORITIES, THAT THE PRESENCE OF THE NEW YORK CITY PATROLMAN AT HIS 24-HOUR FIXED POST HAD PROBABLY PREVENTED A LARGER DESTRUCTION THAN HAD OCCURRED AND THAT THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE AND THE FBI WERE CONDUCTING A JOINT INVESTIGATION.

2. EMBOFF SAID FURTHER THAT IT APPEARED THAT THE BLAST WAS NOT
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DIRECTED ATAINST CSA BUT POSSIBLY AGAINST THE AEROFLOT OFFICE.

KAMIS' REACTION WAS THAT IT DID NOT MATTER BECAUSE AN ATTACK
ON ONE WAS THE SAME AS AN ATTACK ON THE OTHER.
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